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In re application of:

JANSSENS et al.

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Method of Inducing Vasodilation For:

and Treating Pulmonary

Hypertension Using Adenoviral-Mediated Transfer of the Nitric

Oxide Synthase Gene

Art Unit: 1632

Examiner: A.M.S. Beckerleg

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## Notice of Appeal From the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences - Large Entity

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the final decision of the Examiner dated June 24, 1999, in which claims 1-21 were finally or twice rejected.

The fee (for a large entity) for filing a Notice of Appeal from the Examiner to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b)), along with any necessary extension fees (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)), is included in our Check No. 26304. In the event that extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those otherwise provided for herewith are required to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036. A duplicate copy of this Notice is attached.

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